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LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

A notification of defective response dated 9/18/06 (copy enclosed) was mailed to the undersigned. The notification states that the translation of the application into English has not be received. This is rather curious as a first Notification of Defective Response (dated 4/4/06) had been mailed to the undersigned stating that the oath/declaration was missing - no mention of a missing translation; rather, it was acknowledged that the English translation had been received. The instant Notification also states that the English translation has been received. Also, please see attached copy of return card received in the USPTO on 8/24/05 acknowledging receipt of translation, preliminary amendment, and oath/declaration!

As the USPTO file of this application seems to be in complete disarray, copies of response to missing parts letter, of previously filed translation, and previously filed preliminary amendment are submitted herewith. Note that the fee for late filling of translation has been filed at the time of submission of transmittal letter under 35 USC 371. Also note that the fees for extra claims ($9 \times 25.00 = 225.00$) as well as the time extension (2 months = 225.00) for late submission of the response to missing parts have been paid by credit card - the charge of a total of 450 Dollars was processed by the PTO on 8/30/05.

Authorization is herewith given to charge any fees or any shortages in fees during prosecution of this application and not paid by other means to PTO deposit account 501199.

Respectfully submitted on <u>September 30, 2006,</u>

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GEH/Encl.: copy of notification; copy of return card; copy of missing parts response; copy of translation (53 pages); copy of preliminary amendment (27 pages)